श्री वीरेन जे० शाह: सौ साल पहले कितने थे ? (व्यवधान)

श्री सभापति : द्वापर में कितने थे ? द्वापर का नाम आपने सुना होगा ? (व्यवधान)

श्री विठ्ठलराव माधवराव जाधव : यह तो भगवान कृष्ण को भी मालूम है कितने थे वहां ? (व्यवधान)

श्री रत्नाकर पाण्डेय : कमाल और करील के वृक्ष कितने हैं पुराणों से लेकर अब तक आपने बताया है कि वृक्ष कम नहीं हुए हैं तो यह कह देने से काम नहीं होगा हम लोग वृन्दावन जाते रहते हैं । काशी और वृन्दावन का घनिष्ठ संबंध है । निश्चित रूप से वृक्ष कम हुए हैं और वहां क्या योजना है यह मैं जानना चाहता हूं ? दूसरे बनारस में गंगा एक्शन प्लान के तहत . . .

श्री सभापति : यह प्रश्न यमुना से संबंधित है ।

डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय : मैं उसी पर आ रहा हूं । जो गंगा एक्शन प्लान है इसमें उच्छिन्न पदार्थ, गंदा जल, मल आदि प्रवाहित होता है उसको खाद बनाने के लिए जमीन में भेज दिया जाता है, गंगा में नहीं जाता है तो क्या इस तरह की योजना आपके पास है ? और जो योजना आपकी बन रही है यह कब तक बन जायेगी और कब तक इस काम को पूरा कर लेंगे तथा इस पर कितनी धनराशि खर्च होने का अनुमान है ? इसका एक विवरण सदन को आप दें ।

श्री कमलनाथ : माननीय सदस्य ने बहुत सारे प्रश्न पूछ लिये । पर सबसे पहला प्रश्न यह है कि कितने वृक्ष वृन्दावन में हैं । तो मैं माननीय सदस्य से भी मदद चाहूंगा कि इसकी गिनती में वह हमारा सहयोग दें। (व्यवधान) माननीय सदस्य की बहुत दिलचस्पी इसमें है इसी कारण गंगा बोर्ड में सदस्य नामिनेट किये गये हैं । जहां तक प्रश्न है यमुना एक्शन प्लान के बारे में तो जो गंगा एक्शन प्लान का फेज–2 होगा, जैसा मैंने कहा कि 340 करोड़ रुपये की योजना है जो हरियाणा के चार शहर, दिल्ली और उत्तर प्रदेश के चार शहर कवर करेगा । इसमें जो इन्होंने बनारस का जिक्र किया है जिस प्रकार की योजना बनारस में है उसी प्रकार की गंगा एक्शन प्लान फेज–1 से जानकारी प्राप्त करके गंगा एक्शन प्लान फेज–2 में लागू किया जायेगा ।

श्री छोटूभाई पटेल : सारे देश में पाल्युटिड वाटर की वजह से पीने का पानी मुहैया कराने में बड़ी दिक्कत आ रही है और तकरीबन सारे देश में 70 परसेंट पानी पाल्युटिड है जिससे पीने का पानी घरों में नहीं मिल रहा है । तो मैं आपके माध्यम से मंत्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहूंगा कि वृन्दावन को पवित्र रखने के लिए वहां सोशियल फोरिस्ट्री योजना के तहत कितने पेड़ उगाये गये हैं और क्या यह योजना वहां चल रही है या नहीं ? आप हमें सोशियल फोरिस्ट्री की स्कीम के बारे में बताइये ।

MR. CHAIRMAN: Have you taken up social forestery schemes there?

SHRI KAMAL NATH: I am not aware of it. I cannot tell him off hand. मैं कह सकता हूं कि जो नई योजना बनाई जा रही है उसमें जैसा मैंने कहा, फोरिस्ट्री के लिए 112 लाख रुपये की योजना है ।

Supply of Piped Domestic Gas

*384. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the plans under Government's consideration for supplying piped domestic gas in various parts of the country;

(b) whether any pilot plans are under operation;

(c) what steps Government have taken to direct oil companies to commence piped domestic gas supply to compact residential units all over the country;

(d) whether such a system is proposed to be operated through joint sector schemes; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) to (e) Piped natural gas is already being supplied in some cities by various agencies.

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Sir, this is a very cryptic and vague answer. The Ministry appears to be not divulging facts to this House. They are not prepared to divulge any facts to this House.

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Because they are dealing with water.

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: They are dealing with gas, not water. Even for the first question Mr. Kamal Morarka was complaining of the same thing. Sir, my question is: (a) what are the plans under Government's consideration for supplying piped domestic gas in various parts of the country; (b) whether any pilot plans are under operation; (c) what steps Government have taken to direct oil companies to commence piped domestic gas supply to compact residential units all over the country; (d) whether such a system is proposed to be operated through joint sector schemes; and (e) if so, the details thereof? From the answer I cannot understand this. The Ministry cannot take this House for a ride. What is all this? If they are not going to apply their mind to the questions given by the hon. Members then what is the use of asking any supplementary and what is the use of asking any question?

MR. CHAIRMAN: He says that your reply is vague. It does not cover the specific points raised in five parts of the question. They have not been answered. And they are not in a position to ask supplementaries.

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: This is really unfortunate. I seek your protection, Sir.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have told him.

SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR: Sir, the Ministry has all the information. It shall always be happy to furnish information on the floor of the House and outside also. Sir, we sometimes try to make the answer as brief as possible. I can answer any supplementary.

MR. CHAIRMAN: But there are specific questions which he has put.

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): Mr. Chairman, Sir, if you look at the question, the question is about the supply of piped domestic gas in various parts of the country.

MR. CHAIRMAN: But there are specific things which he has asked.

SHRI B. SHANKARANAND: He wants information on this. We have already said that we have given...

MR. CHAIRMAN: He wants to know which are the plans under consideration.

SHRI B. SHANKARANAND: Let him ask the supplementaries.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Why? He has asked questions.

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: When you are not giving any information, then how can hon. Members ask supplementaries?

MR. CHAIRMAN: His question (a) itself is, what are the plans under Government's consideration for supplying

piped domestic gas in various parts of the country. Your answer does not cover it. Kindly give answer to (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) separately. If you are not ready, you can take time.

SHRI B. SHANKARANAND: We are ready, Sir. Let the hon. Member ask the question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: He has asked. It is there in the question. Kindly read the question. The question is, what are the plans under Government's consideration for supplying piped domestic gas in various parts of the country. What is your answer?

SHRI B. SHANKARANAND: May I submit, Sir? Now (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) are the questions. In total we have answered one question. (*Interruptions*). At least to me, I don't find anything wrong about the answer. (*Interruptions*).

MR. CHAIRMAN: We have failed to understand. Kindly give answer to part (a) first.

SHRI B. SHANKARANAND: Let him first ask the question.

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Is this not a question?

MR. CHAIRMAN: There are four questions. You have to answer them. You cannot avoid it like this. I cannot permit the Minister to avoid all the questions. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR: Sir, natural gas is being supplied for domestic use in the following cities: Baroda, Broach, Chandrausia, Surat, Sibsagar, Dhuliajan, Uran and Haxira. Apart from the above, commitment has been made to supply gas to the following cities: Agartala and Bombay. There are several requests for piped gas distribution system for other cities pending with the Ministry, but we cannot sanction it right away due to lack of availability of gas at the moment at those places... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: Mr. Chairman, Sir, the answer to 'a' has been given. Answers to 'b', 'c', 'd' and 'e' are yet to be given... (*Interruptions*) ...

SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR: The answer is that there are no pilot plans under operation. There is no need to direct oil companies—I have already given the reason because gas is not available. There is no proposal at the moment to operate them through joint sector schemes and therefore giving details thereof does not arise. ... (*Interruptions*)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Padmanabham, now you can put your supplementary... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Sir, the estimated availability of gas in the Krishna-Godavari basin is around 6 million cubic metres a day. There are number of municipalities in the area—about 18 to 20 municipalities. Some of the municipalities after having seen the piped gas supply for domestic use in Baroda and other cities approached the local ONGC people with a proposal that they would also like to associate in tapping this piped gas to the domestic users. My specific question to the Minister is whether the Ministry has received any such proposal from the urban local authorities from the Krishna-Godavari basin and whether the Ministry has any such definite proposal to work out this piped gas supply to the domestic user because the cylinders are in short supply and the queue is very long. I would like to know whether the Ministry is thinking in terms of making a concrete and comprehensive plan for the supply of piped gas for domestic use in areas where there is already a pipeline.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The question is for Godavari basin... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR: Sir, the availability of gas in the Krishna-Godavari basin is about 6 million cubic

metres per day. For 1994-95, commitments have already been made to industries such as Nagarjun fertilizers, AP State Electricity Board, NTPC, Ganesh Petro Chemicals, LPG extractions ... (*Interruptions*)...

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: I am talking of domestic users.

SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR: I am coming to that. Therefore we already stand at a negative balance. However, as the exploration in the Krishna-Godavari basin advances, definitely there will be more gas production and then we could consider piped gas distribution system for cities. At that moment only these requests can be considered.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Mr. Chairman, Sir, thousand crores worth of gas is being burnt every year without being utilised by the Petroleum and Natural Gas Ministry... (*Interruptions*)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Here the question is limited to supply of gas for domestic purpose.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Sir, it is an admitted fact through research also that the gas supplied by cylinders is higher when compared to gas supplied through the piped line. Now, the Government is also trying to get aid from various financial institutions from abroad. Now, in the Cauvery basin in five important places—South Arcot, North Arcot, Karaikkal region and also in Tanjore District—an abundant amount of gas is available. It is being burnt. It is not being utilised fully. Therefore, I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether they have got any scheme for the purpose of utilising it for the household consumption in the Tanjore District, the South Arcot District and the Quaid-e-Milleth District.

MR. CHAIRMAN: In Karaikkal also.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: In Karaikkal also. It comes near the the Karaikkal District.

SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR: About the requirement of gas in the Cauvery basin, commitments made as of now is 0.168 million cm./day and by 1994-95—2.4 million cm./day. About 15 users—I have got a complete list where commitments have already been made... (*Interruptions*). Please let me answer. The commitment is already there. The commitment is much above gas being now produced which is of a nominal nature. As the gas and oil exploration proceeds, the Gas Linkage Committee will deliberate on the availability of gas as against the request made for it and will take appropriate decision. Sir, the ONGC had already laid a 14 km. pipeline in Narimanam and Nagapatinam and commenced the gas supply in February, 1988. 25,000 cm. day of gas is being supplied to the consumers. Further, 57,000 cm./day is going to the Tamil Nadu Electricity Board for setting up a... (*Interruptions*).

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: His reply is relating to industries. I asked about the household consumption.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Be fair. He says that the commitments are more than the proved supply there. When he gets more suppy of gas, he will take it up. You cannot force him.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: I am not forcing him. Just I will take half a minute. The commitment is there. But it is not being supplied. Out of 16 industries which the Minister mentions, only 4 industries are using. The remaining have not been supplied so far.

MR. CHAIRMAN: It is for the Government to decide whether they would be giving for industry or for domestic use. You cannot force.

SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR: The production is less than the commitment. The question of piped gas disribution comes only after the commitments to the power projects and others are met.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Jaipal Reddy.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: My questions are exhausted.

Training of Insurgents in Burma and Bangladesh

*385. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item published in *Times of India* dated the 5th November 1991 under the caption "Security beefed up in North Eastern States", wherein it has been reported that at least two hundred insurgents from North-Eastern States have gone across the borders with Burma and Bangladesh for guerilla training; and

(b) if so, what arrangements have been made so far to prevent such training?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTRY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter regarding support to insurgents has been taken up with the Governments of Bangladesh and Myanmar. The Central and State agencies in the area have been alerted.

श्री राम नरेश यादव : सभापति महोदय, माननीय मंत्री जी ने जो उत्तर दिया है, वास्तविकता यह है कि हमारे जो नार्थ ईस्टर्न के सात राज्य हैं जो सात बहनों के नाम से जाने जाते हैं, वहां पर बहुत सी आतंकवादी और विघटनकारी शक्तियों का जमावड़ा हो रहा है । उल्फा तो है ही आसाम में, नेशनल सोशलिस्ट काउंसिल है नागालैंड में, पीपल लिब्रेशन आर्मी मणिपुर में है और मिजोरम में भी ऐसे संगठन हैं, यूनाइटेड लिब्रेशन आर्मी मेघालय में है और त्रिपुरा में इसी तरह का एक और संगठन इंडो बर्मा रेवोल्यूशनरी फ्रंट है । यह जितने भी संगठन हैं इनके पास सोफिस्टीकेटेड आर्म्स हैं । यह तत्व सीमावर्ती देशों बंगलादेश और बर्मा में जा कर ट्रेनिंग ले कर आते हैं और यहां गुरिल्ला युद्ध करते हैं । यह समस्त विघटनकारी शक्तियां एक हो करके अस्थिरता का वातावरण पैदा करती हैं। मंत्री जी ने कहा है कि हमने बंगलादेश और बर्मा से बात की है । वहां से दो सौ इनसरजेंट्स नये गुरिल्ला युद्ध की ट्रेनिंग लेकर आए हैं । पंजाब और कश्मीर के हालात तो हम देख ही रहे हैं । इनको ध्यान में रखते हुए तथा यह भी निश्चित रूप से कहा जा सकता है कि पंजाब और कश्मीर की घटनाओं के पीछे विदेशी शक्तियों का हाथ है तो मैं यह स्पष्ट रूप से जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या इसमें भी विदेशी शक्तियों का हाथ है ? मेरे प्रश्न का भाग (ब) यह है कि बंगलादेश और बर्मा से यह मामला उठाने के पश्चात् उन दोनों देशों की इस संबंध में क्या प्रतिक्रिया रही है, क्या बातें हुई हैं, यह मैं जानना चाहता हूं ।

SHRI M. M. JACOB: The official response from the Bangladesh Government is that they are not aware of any such thing and if at all there is any such thing, they will cooperate to see that it is not encouraged. But we have information, as the honourable Member has said, that insurgents have gone to those countries to get their training in terrorist activities, militant activities, and they are expecting weapons, sophisticated weapons, to arrive from some source. Anyway, we are already aware of the matter and that is why the matter has been taken up with them.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You talked to both Bangladesh and Myanmar.

SHRI M. M. JACOB: Yes.

श्री राम नरेश यादव : महोदय, मेरा दूसरा प्रश्न है । आपने जो उत्तर दिया है उसके आधार पर उस क्षेत्र में केन्द्र और राज्य एजेंसियों को सतर्क कर दिया गया है । महोदय, इस संबंध में दो प्रश्न बहुत जरूरी हैं । एक तो लगी हुई सीमा है, सरहद है बंगलादेश और बर्मा की, दूसरे इनके पास हथियार हैं और प्रशिक्षण है । मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि उस सीमा को ध्यान में रखते हुए, सरहद को ध्यान